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House Bill _____
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Senate No. SB1649
By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-51-102,
relative to annexation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-51-102, is amended by adding
the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

()(1) Whenever a municipality proposes to extend its corporate limits by
annexation of any property, the municipality shall notify each property owner within the
territory proposed for annexation, except in any county having a metropolitan form of
government. Such notice shall inform the property owner of the municipality's intention
to annex the territory. The municipality shall send the notice by return receipt
requested and address correction requested mail at least thirty (30) days before final
adoption of the annexation ordinance to the property owner at the address shown on
the county property assessor's tax rolls as of the date the notice is sent. If the
municipality makes a good faith effort to notify each property owner within the affected
territory, any failure to so notify a property owner within such affected territory shall not
invalidate the annexation ordinance applicable to that territory. The provisions of this

subsection shall only apply to annexation of properties owned by two hundred (200) or fewer property owners of taxable real property recorded as such pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-804.

(2) A municipality, whenever mailing notices as defined above, shall keep all records relevant to such mailings, including return receipts and address corrections, for a minimum of ninety (90) days after the ordinance was adopted on final reading by the municipality's legislative body. Such records are public records.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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